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REMARKS
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- 25X1 1. From 12 July to 3 August 1951, a Polish motor transport unit was quartered in the barracks installation on the north side of ul. Artylerycka in Bydgoszcz (P 51/5 09). The installation, consisting of eight three-story, partly stuccoed buildings, was a part of the large military billeting area on the west side of Al. 1-go. Maja. Its main entrance was on ul. Artylerycka. Through this gate, about 50 trucks, many of which were of Studebaker type, about 20 American tractors with 10-ton semi-trailers, and some ZIS vehicles were seen standing in the billeting area. [REDACTED]
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- 25X1 [REDACTED] Soldiers of this unit wore khaki uniforms with red pentagonal collar patches, trousers with a red piping along the outside seams, and field caps with a red band and red piping around the upper rim, [REDACTED] (1)
2. The barracks buildings on the west side of Al. 1-go. Maja were occupied by a strong KBW (Corps of Internal Security) unit. This section of the billeting area included at least 12 two and three-story buildings, with the main entrance being on Al. 1-go. Maja. Numerous field-grade officers of the KBW were seen near the installation. A major and a lieutenant colonel, both of them wearing KBW uniforms, were overheard speaking in Russian. Soldiers wore khaki uniforms with dark-blue pentagonal collar patches, field caps with a dark-blue band and dark-blue piping around the upper rim, and trousers with dark-blue piping along the outside seams. The area adjoining the billeting area on the west as far as the cemetery was used for training purposes by the KBW unit. (2)
- 25X1 3. The former Infantry Barracks on the north side of ul. Ponocna was occupied by a Polish infantry unit. Only a small guard and maintenance detail was noticed there. [REDACTED] the unit stationed there was out of the post. The barracks installation consisted of 6 to 8 three-story buildings and was fenced in by a brick wall along the street and by iron palisades toward the woods. A civilian athletic field with a swimming pool was located just west of the installation. On 12 July 1951, a unit of platoon strength arrived from the direction of the drill grounds west of the railroad line to Danzig (Q 55/Y 42). The troops had two mortars of about 100-mm with them, which they pulled on two-wheel carts into the former Infantry Barracks. (3)

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a military district headquarters (DOZ) was located in the former oficer candidate school, a palatial building with a large park surrounded by an iron palisade fence, on the east side of Al. 1-go. Maja. Three sentries were posted in front of it. (4)

5. The former Uhlan Barracks on the north side of ul. Szubinska and the former air force school on the south side of this street were occupied by Polish air force troops. (5) The former barracks installation of 4 or 5 raw-brick buildings just southeast of the railroad station was no longer used for military purposes. It housed offices of the railroad administration and, probably, a vocational school.
6. The former military post headquarters on the west bank of the Brda River, on the south side of ul. Marszalka Pocha, had been destroyed during World War II. The Polish military post headquarters was identified on the south side of the mentioned street, just east of the river.

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Comments.

- (1) Two large barracks installations are located on the west side of Al. 1-go. Maja, namely the former Artillery Barracks which is bounded by ul. Polnocna and ul. Artyleryjka, and the former Infantry Barracks which is located north of ul. Polnocna, i.e. north of the Artillery Barracks. The motor transport unit, which was already mentioned in a report of 1947, is quartered in the former Artillery Barracks where an infantry unit and an AAA unit were also reported to have been quartered since September 1950.

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- (2) Because of previous information, the 1st KDF Light and a KDF school are carried in Bydgoszcz.
- (3) The report confirms previous information on the heavy occupation of the former Infantry Barracks by infantry troops.
- (4) The DOZ was said to have been transferred to Torun. This report was apparently incorrect.
- (5) The barracks installations near the airfield were reported to have housed an air force officers' school in September 1950 and an AAA unit in January 1951.

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